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BARON WILHELM VON OPPENHEIM VISITS STOCKHOLM, DISCUSSES PEACE PROPOSALS WITH WALLENBERG: DETAILS FROM "PER" AND OTHERS (1942)

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The banker Baron Wilhelm von OPPENHEIM[11] arrived in STOCKHOLM on 8 April. "PER"[111] points out that he had with him about 20 kilograms of diplomatic mail for two addressees: the German Legation in STOCKHOLM and secondly the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, direct. The correspondent of the English "Daily Telegraph" reported that he had two meetings with the Swedish banker WALLENBERG[iv], whom he asked to get into touch with English financiers on the question of concluding an Anglo-German peace based on a return to the position up to 1939 and on the question of launching a joint attack on the USSR with the aim of destroying it totally. WALLENBERG, according to our information, declined this proposal and recommended applying directly to the British Legation. It is characteristic that other British and American correspondents who know about this do not want to say anything, but in conversation among themselves point out that this information should go straight to the Prime Minister and secondly that Swedish censorship did not permit them to write anything about his arrival in STOCKHOLM. OPPENHEIM on 12 April flew by special plane to BERLIN.

Please send the money as I have already got into debt.

No. 50[v]

(Name No. 64[vi])

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Footnote: [i] Name No. 42:

Possibly Captain 1st Rank  
Mikhail Aleksandrovich VORONTSOV.

[ii] Baron Waldemar von OPPENHEIM: ~~Not traced.~~ (see p. 41, 2nd Connection)

[iii] PER:

[iv] WALLENBERG:

Possibly Jacob WALLENBERG (see p. 41, 2nd Connection) and his brother, Marcus WALLENBERG Jr., STOCKHOLM bank directors, were both involved in peace talks at different times.

[v] STOCKHOLM's No. 652 of 8 April 1942 (3/TBF/T2200) also has Internal Serial No. 50: presumably an encipherer's error.

✓ [vi] Name No. 44:

Probably Aleksandr A. PAVLOV, TASS correspondent in STOCKHOLM.

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